“Don’t ask, don’t tell”— version one

The presence in the armed forces of persons who are Muslim would create an unacceptable risk to the high standards of morale, good order and discipline, and unit cohesion that are the essence of military capability. […]

A member of the armed forces shall be separated from the armed forces under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense if one or more of the following findings is made and approved in accordance with procedures set forth in such regulations:

(1) That the member has engaged in, attempted to engage in, or solicited another to engage in religious activities related to the Muslim faith

(2) That the member has stated that he or she is a Muslim, practices Islam, or words to that effect…

(3) That the member has married or attempted to marry a person that is Muslim…

1. Why might the military believe that Muslims pose an “unacceptable risk” to the military as an institution?

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1. What 3 things could get a person of the Islamic faith kicked out of the military?

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1. In your opinion, is this policy in violation of the civil rights of Muslims? Explain.

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“Don’t ask, don’t tell”— version two

The presence in the armed forces of persons who demonstrate a propensity or intent to engage in homosexual acts would create an unacceptable risk to the high standards of morale, good order and discipline, and unit cohesion that are the essence of military capability. […]

A member of the armed forces shall be separated from the armed forces under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense if one or more of the following findings is made and approved in accordance with procedures set forth in such regulations:

(1) That the member has engaged in, attempted to engage in, or solicited another to engage in a homosexual act or acts. […]

(2) That the member has stated that he or she is a homosexual or bisexual, or words to that effect. […]

(3) That the member has married or attempted to marry a person known to be of the same biological sex.

1. Why might the military believe that homosexuals pose an “unacceptable risk” to the military as an institution?

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1. What 3 things could get a person that is homosexual kicked out of the military?

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1. In your opinion, is this policy in violation of the civil rights of homosexuals? Explain.

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